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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. References AA-AD and AG - AJ have been cited during prosecution of parent application U.S. Ser. No. 09/114,323, and copies of each of the references can be found in the PTO file for the parent application.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office may, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that these listed references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

The attention of the Patent Office is drawn to the following copending applications which may contain technical subject matter related to that of the present invention.

Serial No(s).	Date Filed	Inventor(s)
09/415,164	10/08/1999	NEMOTO, Hiroshi; KITOH, Kenshin; ENOMOTO, Akio

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Copies of each of the above applications are attached hereto as References AE and AF. This identification is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to the cited applications now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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